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SUBJECT: GATT ARTICLE XXIV:6 NEGOTIATIONS

FOR STR AND AGRICULTURE

1. DURING APRIL 24 CALL ON ANOTHER MATTER, MINISTRY FOREIGN TRADE
(MFT) REP SIMEONE (OIC, GATT ARTICLE XXIV:6 NEGOTIATIONS) DISCUSSED
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STATUS OF GATT ARTICLE XXIV:6 NEGOTIATIONS WITH EMBOFF. SIMEONE

SAID HE WAS "QUITE OPTIMISTIC" THAT US AND EC WOULD REACH SATISFACTORY

AGREEMENT. WHEN EMBOFF MENTIONED FRESH ORANGES, SIMEONE SAID THERE WAS "NO POSSIBILITY" OF APRIL 1 DATE ON US TERMS, BUT THAT IF MAY 1 DATE WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO US HE WAS CERTAIN COMMISSION WOULD PROPOSE SLIDING SCALE OF DUTY WITH SEASON OPENING APRIL 1 AND WITH HIGHER DUTIES IN EARLIER PART OF SEASON, LATER DROPPING TO LEVEL OF US REQUEST. SIMEONE ALSO INDICATED THAT FURTHER GIVE IN ITALIAN POSITION IN BRUSSELS ON KRAFT PAPER WAS POSSIBLE. HE DID NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO MEET US REQUEST ON TOBACCO.

2. SIMEONE, AS HAVE OTHER GOI REPS, NOTED FRENCH OPPOSITION TO US REQUEST ON FRESH ORANGES BECAUSE OF IMPACT THIS WOULD HAVE ON MEDITERRANEAN PREFERENCES, BUT STRONGLY IMPLIED THAT FRANCE COULD ACCEPT APRIL 1 OPENING WITH DECLINING TARIFF AS SEASON PROGRESSES. VOLPE

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